GREATER COLUMBUS REGION

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The Economic and Community Development Institute (ECDI) provides a network of comprehensive support services to build the economic and social capacities of individuals, families, enterprises and communities. To achieve this goal, the organization provides many services, including microenterprise training and technical assistance, individual development accounts, financial literacy training, down payment assistance to first time home buyers, capacity building service for faith and community based organizations, micro-loans for small businesses, rural and agricultural development, and consulting services. ECDI has the resources and expertise to create substantial impact in the communities it serves. The programs have been supported by more than \$7 million in public and private funds. Staff has expertise at all levels of project design, implementation, and management. Cultural competency is an area of expertise, as the majority of staff is multilingual and represents the client populations. This allows ECDI to effectively serve a variety of populations, many with special needs. The agency is recognized at the national level for the quality and innovation of its services, and has garnered support from a variety of funding sources and is successful in creating partnerships with the public and private sectors.